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1. AS AUTHORIZED BY DEPARTMENT, ON NOVEMBER 22 I HANDED DENKTASH TEXT OF LETTER ON CONSULAR ACCESS AS CONTAINED REF A. ORALLY, I REMINDED DENKTASH OF HIS SEVERAL PAST ASSURANCES AND REFERRED TO GRAVE PROBLEMS WHICH WOULD BE CREATED FOR OUR RELATIONS WITH TURKEY IF ACCESS CONTINUED TO BE DENIED.

2. DENKTASH SAID HE WOULD GET OUR LETTER INTO HANDS OF MAINLAND MILITARY COMMANDER DEMIREL AND TURKISH EMBASSY IMMEDIATELY. HE SAID DEMIREL WAS ALL RIGHT ON THIS QUESTION BUT HIS SUBORDINATES WERE "BRICKHEADS". FRUSTRATIONS WHICH WE WERE ENCOUNTERING WERE THE MORE INEXCUSABLE BECAUSE OF EXPLICIT INSTRUCTION RECEIVED FROM HIGHEST LEVELS IN ANKARA THAT TURKISH AUTHORITIES IN CYPRUS WERE TO COOPERATE ON CONSULAR ACCESS, PROTECTION OF PROPERTIES, ETC. ("WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE BRITISH WHO ARE HOLDING OUR PEOPLE PRISONERS IN THE SBA"), ESPECIALLY WITH THE AMERICANS.

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3. DENKTASH ACKNOWLEDGED THAT ONE PROBLEM WDTN THE TURKISH

MILITARY WAS LATTER'S CONVICTION THAT CERTAIN U.S. EMBASSY OFFICERS, WHOM HE NAMED, WERE CARRYING OUT INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES DURING THEIR TRIPS TO THE TURKISH-CONTROLLED REGION. I GAVE DENKTASH A DOUBLE ASSURANCE: THAT THIS ACCUSATION WAS TOTALLY FALSE AND THAT AS A MATTER OF FIRM POLICY WE DID NOT ENGAGE IN INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES IN THE TURKISH ZONE. DENKTASH ASKED IF HE COULD USE THIS ASSURANCE AND I SAID YES.
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